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Topic: 'Africans in India: Select Micro-narratives'

By

Prof. Renu Modi

Professor and Director at the Centre for African Studies, University of Mumbai, India

Time: 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Day & Date: Tue 4th Jan 2022

About the Speaker:

Dr. Renu Modi is Professor and Director at the Centre for African Studies, University of Mumbai, India. She was educated at the Lady Shree Ram College for Women (Political Science; Hons.) and read for her M.Phil and Ph.D., at the Centre for African Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi. She has held research fellowships at the; Centre for Refugees Studies (University of Oxford), International Women's University (University of Hannover, DAAD) and the Nordic Africa Institute (Uppsala, Sweden).

Dr. Modi was the recipient of the Shastri Faculty Training and Internationalisation Grant (SFTIG), 2017- 2018, at the Centre for Global Studies (CFGs), University of Victoria, Canada, awarded jointly by the governments of India and Canada. Dr. Modi has been an invited speaker at several Universities, mainly in Europe and Africa. She has been a course instructor for ; South- South Exchange Programme on the History of Development (SEPHIS) and taught at the Universities of Bahia, São Paulo and Rio De Janerio (Brazil). She has also taught at several Erasmus Mundus Programmes(at the University of Oldenburg (Germany), University of Tor Vergatta (Rome) and the University of Grenoble (France). Dr. Modi has served as the Social Development consultant for the Inspection Panel for (World Bank). Her recent publications include books, book chapters, journal articles and documentary films. She has directed and researched on two documentary films entitled "Connecting Threads: India- Made in India Fabrics for Africa" (2018) (with Meera Venkatachalam, Abhishek Sharma and Johann Salazar), which was premiered at the Zanzibar International Film Festival (2018), and Sidis of Gujarat: Maintaining Traditions and Building Community (with B. Shroff), Her recent books publications (ed) are; 1. India-Africa Partnerships for Food Security and Capacity Building (co-ed with Meera Venkatachalam), (Palgrave Macmillan, 2021), Connecting Threads: Made in India Fabrics for Africa (with Meera Venkatachalam and Johann Salazar (African Studies Centre, Leiden, 2020) 3. The Palgrave Handbook of Contemporary International Political Economy, (Co-ed with Shaw, T.M., Mahrenbach, L.C., Yi-chong, X.), Palgrave Macmillan, UK, (October 2018) Dr. Modi has contributed several research papers and book chapters, inter alia on the themes of South- South Development Cooperation, migration and diasporas; India Africa engagements for food security, medical tourism of Africans to India, forced displacement and development.



About the Topic: Africans in India: Select Micro-narratives

An overview of selected micro-narratives of Africans in India will be given in the talk. As part of this presentation, patterns of mobility will be explored through ethnographic studies of three different categories of Africans: students, 'medicine tourists', and informal traders. The migration trajectories of migrants are replete with stories of success and discomfiture that have arisen at the intersection of local and foreign cultural norms as a result of intercultural encounters.

If you are willing to participate in the discussion, you are requested to fill in the registration form by paying the registration fee of rupees 100 with the account details provided in the registration link. Registered candidates can discuss the questions during the question hour of the session and the participation certificate will be provided to registered candidates.

The session will be live on "OUCIP" YouTube channel

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/uLKfNQTWprQiH8Ar5>



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